

## LANDSCAPES—Photomontage #4

### Polson Hill... highway 35 to top of ridge

**The land:** high, rounded, glacial moraine terraces... serves as the entry into Polson and Flathead Lake...

**Ways the land could shape the road:** weave and traverse the steep glacial moraine terraces



### Minesinger... top of glacial moraine ridge to Pablo/Mud Lake Trail

**The land:** relatively level to gently rolling series of glacial meltwater creeks and bankslopes...

**Ways the land could shape the road:** fit road to the rolling, curvilinear hills and follow the pattern of the creeks...



### Pablo Pines... Pablo/Mud Lake Trail to Mud Creek

**The land:** pine covered sand hills that were formed by winds blowing down off the glaciers that created Flathead Lake...

**Ways the land could shape the road:** maintain and restore pines and rolling character of the sandy hills close to the road... minimize perception that road is cutting through the landscape... pull in and meander edges



### Ronan Spring Creek...

#### Pablo/ Mud Creek to Ronan

**The land:** gently rolling low hills of mostly pasture and cropland...

**Ways the land could shape the road:** respond to the rolling, undulating character of the terrain...



## US 93 DESIGN DISCUSSIONS

Project Committee:

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Federal Highway Administration

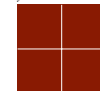
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This graphic describes topographic and vegetative features of the Polson Hill, Minesinger, Pablo Pines, and Ronan Spring Creek landscapes. It also provides recommendations regarding how the road can be shaped to respond to these particular landscapes.